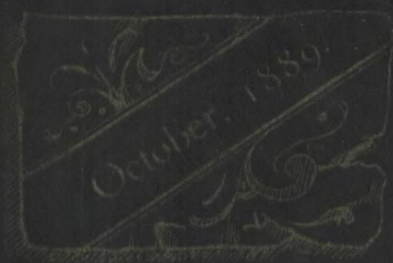




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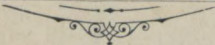
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Sonnet—To Night,

JOSEPH BLANCO WHITE.

Mysterious Night! when our first parent knew
Thee from report divine, and heard thy name,
Did he not tremble for this lovely frame,
This glorious canopy of light and blue?
Yet 'neath a curtain of translucent dew,
Bathed in the rays of the great setting flame,
Hesperus with the host of heaven came,
And lo! Creation widened in man's view.

Who could have thought such darkness lay concealed
Within thy beams, O Sun! or who could find,
Whilst flow'r and leaf and insect stood revealed,
That to such countless orbs thou mad'st us blind!
Why do we then shun Death with anxious strife?
If Light can thus deceive, wherefore not Life?

Wilhelm Tell.

Tell was a legendary hero of Switzerland. Tradition says he was a hunter, living in Burgelm, in the canton of Uri. His wife was a daughter of Walter Furst, who organized a conspiracy of the Grutli in 1307, with Stauffacher, of Switz, and Melchthal of Unterwalden, and founded the independence of Swiss. Tell revolted against Austria. Gessler, a Bailiff of Austria, placed a cap on a pole in the market place at Altorf, and all who passed by it were requested to do reverence. Tell was either very negligent about this, or refused to do it, and was arrested and sentenced to death. Gessler, hearing that he was a skillful marksman, told him that his wife would be spared to him if he would shoot an apple from the head of his child. Tell, as is natural to suppose, was very much excited at the thought of aiming at the head of his (dear) child, with the crossbow. He thought that Gessler was very cruel and hard-hearted to request such a thing of a father. The feelings, which were aroused in that father's heart, could not be expressed. But this was commanded and had to be done. Gessler had heard again of Tell as being a dreamer, and that he was very different in his habits from other men. He had a particular love and desire for the peculiar. So Gessler chooses a daring adventure for him. The apple was brought and placed on the boy's head. Tell raised the crossbow and aimed an arrow at the head of his child. The bow fell from his hand and he sank down in weakness. He requested that Gessler should take his life, but give him the shot. But they did not want Tell's life, it was that he should aim at an apple on his child's head. He again made ready. The boy told his father to shoot and show them that he was an archer,

for they were trying to destroy them. The boy had all confidence in his father, as he should have, and did not for once fear his life from the arrow. Tell took aim once more and the deed was accomplished.

The people were in great excitement and anxious to know if the boy was still alive. The apple was examined by the Governor and others and found to be pierced directly through the center. This showed great skill, which will be talked of in the future as it has been in the past. What must have been the anxiety of the father's heart as he drew the bow, directing the arrow towards his own child. But his anxiety was soon over, and his life, with his child's, was spared. A second arrow had been noticed, which Tell had put in his quiver, before shooting. Gessler inquired what his object was. Tell's reply was, that if his son had been harmed he intended killing Gessler with the other arrow. For this he was again put in chains. Thus Gessler embarked with him to Kussnacht. On their way the boat was overtaken by a storm. The crew became very much frightened and begged for Tell to be released, that he might steer the boat and rescue them. He told them that he could rescue them by the help of God, and so saying he conducted them safely away. As they neared a point, known as "Tell's Rock," Tell sprang ashore, leaving the little boat to drive on the waves as God wished it. The most dangerous parts of the coast had been passed and the crew steered the boat safely to Brunen. During this time Tell went around by land, lay concealed between Brunen and Kussnacht, and as Gessler passed by that way mortally wounded him with an arrow. The death of Gessler caused a general uprising. The Bailiffs of Austria were driven from several cantons and their castles destroyed. Tell took part in the battle of Morgasten in 1315, and was drowned in the Schachen in 1354 while trying to save a boy's life.

Thus ends the life of the Legendary Hero.

Education and House Work.

To-day when women have entered into the broad field of the higher education and are sipping the sweets of a constantly widening culture, the while the sphere specially designated as "woman's" still claims so much of their thought and attention, it is pertinent to ask and to discuss what shall be the relation of house work to the educated young woman of to-day. Shall the higher education be allowed to militate against the exercise of all the plain, simple domestic virtues? Is it dignified for the woman of to-day to give attention to the undignified details of house work?

The popular opinion regarding these things in the minds of men—aye, and of women, too—is that the instinct for household duties, like the instinct for maternity, is born in the true womanly heart. This much *is* true, the love of home and family is inborn in the heart of every woman; household duties she endures because she loves her home and family. But no woman feels a hidden longing for the companionship of pots and pans, or recognizes the cooking range as next of kin, or feels that her life's great aim is met when, as the motive force of a scrubbing-brush, she has coaxed her pine floor into snowy whiteness. No woman loves these things. She does them of grace and not of nature.

This proposition, then, may be laid down at the outset as broad enough to cover all the ground. A woman ought to do just the work in the house and just as much of it as actual necessity lays upon her—actual necessity being defined as that which the comfort and the welfare of the home demands. To do less than this is undignified; to do more merely for the sake of work is even more undignified. If a young woman's father is able to

supply her the means where with to secure strong hands, which have no other accomplishment, to do her work for her, and if then she insists on being her own hewer of wood and drawer of water, it is because she is lacking in a sense of personal dignity and of the fitness of things. But when upon her shoulders comes the responsibility of household management, when her own thought and her own units of strength must be called into service or the home must be cheerless, untidy, and forlorn, then shame be unto her, and woe if she be found unwilling to drop paintbrush and easel, fancy work or essay, and bare her own young strong arm and bring her own active brain to the rescue!

The dignity is in the worker, not in the work; and if the dullest, meanest, most uncongenial detail of household life be met with calmness, cheerfulness, and discharged as a duty to God and to herself, and not to man, the whole round of menial duties becomes dignified and ennobled, and ministers to the spiritual growth and strength of the worker. But if done from a high sense of duty the performance of these things brings blessing, on the other hand done from an over-exacting nicety that makes a spot of dirt or a grain of dust an abomination to the soul, or from abject fear of the niggardly lord who prefers to consume the brightness and meetness of wife and daughters in the drudgery of house work than to provide strong hands to drudge for them, or if a woman clings to her slaving because she does not see that woman's true work is to give zest and grace and beauty and ideality to life, then shall the conduct of household affairs be the death blow to all that is noblest and most lovable in her character and her life.

HELEN WATTERSON.

People Who Don't Know

It sounds paradoxical, but it is true that the more a man knows the more he does not know. That is, the deeper a man's knowledge in content the narrower it is in extent. In order to know a few things well, he must be content to leave a great many things, unknown. Life is too short and the mass of things too great to make it possible for one brain, be it never so large and so fine to compass but the smallest portion.

In our school days we were taught the truth of a certain axiom, "The whole is greater than any of its parts." That may be true in mathematics, but practical life shows us every day that a part is often more effective than the whole. A man with a few and definite ideas is like a wedge that may be driven in at any convenient opening; the full-rounded and symmetrical intellect is like a polished sphere, ornamental on the top of a column but good for very little else.

The great call of the age is for specialized knowledge, for men that know not a little about great things, but a great deal about a few things—in short we want people who do not know, more than we do people that do. For it has come to pass now that the measure of a man's learning is the amount of his voluntary ignorance, the measure of his practical effectiveness the amount of what he leaves unattempted. Each man must choose his own work and resolutely shut his eyes and ears and steel his heart to all else beside. To do anything else is the way of failure.

HELEN WATTERSON.

Chapter Correspondence

BETA.

Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind.

Beta assembled again after the summer vacation with ranks greatly thinned, but full of enthusiasm and true Theta loyalty. We have a "picked nine," as one of our girls wittily remarked, but suffice it to say we have more than that in view, and we hope, before long, to add some charming young ladies to our roll. Beta is greatly to be envied on account of her great number of resident members and alumnae who still lend a helping hand to her interests and strive to encourage her active members. Of course we are all too full of that exhilarating pastime "spiking," to have settled down to work, although we have discussed some excellent plans, and after the "worst is over" will probably put them into execution.

Beta sends love to sister chapters, and hopes they all have as good a prospect for a brilliant year as she has.

Yours fraternally,

JOSEPHINE PITTMAN.

EPSILON.

Wooster University, Wooster, Ohio.

After three month's separation Epsilon assembled once more, last evening, (September 11th.), at the home of Miss Woods-worth. Although we missed the grasp of the hand and the eye of more than one whose very presence had been wont to help us in other days, kind providence had ordained that two of our last year graduates should meet with us and granted us such a meeting as is rarely exceeded for enthusiasm and interest. We start out with fourteen active members and expect to initiate

two girls Saturday night. This may seem rather precipitate to some of our sisters, but thereby hangs a tale.

During the spring term, last year, our rival sisters, taking time by the forelock, began to "rush" some girls attending the high school of this place. Such forethought or fore-rushing being against the rules and rather beneath the dignity of the Theta sisterhood, we had to stand back in some trepidation (for they were really desirable girls) and let things take pretty much their own course. The result proved that to be a pretty good course to permit some times, for with the aid of moderate attention and a prompt bid this term, Epsilon has secured the prize. We do not like boasting, especially do we not like to glory over a defeated rival, and we would not mention this in our letter, but that it serves to introduce a word or two against the evil of rushing, which evil Epsilon seldom loses an opportunity to decry. Rushing, in the common acceptance of the term, seems to us to have few or no advantages while it has many attendant evils, chief of which, setting aside the loss of dignity and caution which it involves, is the unwarrantable distraction from study it causes a student just at a time when she needs all her faculties most ready at her command. The writer can testify to the harm done to herself by this in the beginning of her school career, and has no doubt that nearly every other fraternity girl would sign her name to the same effect if asked the truth of the matter. May the day come quickly when every chapter shall be able to adopt the excellent non-rushing system already in use among some of our sisters.

We hope we will not discredit our claim for modesty if we mention another source of honest pride to Epsilon. Of the five honors awarded last year in a class of forty graduates two were taken by Theta girls, Lettie Warren and Helen Jeffries. The former being given the Natural Science and the latter the Latin Oration.

As our one social event during the summer, made possible by having a good many resident members, we mention a picnic

at which none but ladies, Thetas and their friends, were present. I called it a picnic, and such it would have been had not the elements combined against us. Such it was, any how, if we may be permitted to use the word in its slang sense, the crashing thunder, the vivid lightning, and the pouring rain only adding zest to our enjoyment of the occasion, shielded from harm, as we were, under the wide-spreading roof of the gymnasium.

We are anticipating a successful and pleasant year, and looking forward with pleasure to the convention and the enthusiasm and help which flow from it through the medium of our delegates, and to the drawing closer about us the bonds of our common sisterhood. May the results of this convention not fall short of our past experience.

J. C.

NU.

Hanover College, Hanover, Ind.

The term was ushered in by four days of pouring rain, but even that could not dampen the ardor of our eight Theta girls. Shut in our cosy, little "box" with drawn curtains, we could bid defiance to weather. College opened with rather a larger number of new students than usual, and the prospects for additions to the chapter is encouraging.

It was generally understood among the students last spring that the Delta Gamma fraternity, which had died out for a number of years in Hanover, had been revived and would spring a "surprise" (?) on us Commencement week. After carrying every thing before us without effort for so long we rather welcomed the prospect of a rival fraternity, but if such exists it still lives sub-rosa.

Commencement week was a time of joyful reunion of Kappa Alpha Theta girls, and of course the annual group was taken, which proved rather less flattering even than the average out door photograph of that description. Our reading for the coming year is as yet not mapped out. "Cause why," the discussion of

the "new girls" was so all absorbing at our first meeting that the arrangements for literary and social work were by common consent postponed until a future evening. Perhaps in our next letter we may be fortunate enough to suggest something delightfully new in that line, but just now we are too happy to be together again in our dear, little hall, and too full of "schemes" to give any thought to serious literary work.

TAU.

Northwestern University, Evanston, Ills.

DEAR THETAS:—It would be our wish to write, as a first attempt, as interesting a letter as those we have read with so much pleasure from the other chapters in the preceding journals. But as Theta's experience this term has covered not quite a week we naturally have nothing new and startling to narrate.

We have begun the new school year with our numbers diminished by two, one of the girls who has been a loyal Theta for two years, going to Oberline for better advantages in music.

We hope before long to add at least two more to our number to make the even dozen we gloried in last year. The custom prevailing at some colleges of refraining from rushing for a month or two has gained no place here, so that we will soon be deep into the task of making ourselves *very* agreeable to all the attractive and unsuspecting new girls.

Unfortunately, owing to a change in requirements for admission to college, some of the girls expecting to enter have had to go into Preparatory, which, of course, takes away the chance of so many initiations.

We had our first spread of the term last evening, at the home of Lucy Sheldon, to meet the new girls, of whom we had about twelve present. A surprise, in the way of a watermelon, was left at the door by two of the boys "for initiation," as the accompanying note stated. You may be sure it "was put through" with small ceremony. We hope to have another

spread next week and give the burlesque that one of the girls has written. Our prospects are very bright for the year. In numbers we are far ahead of the Deltas, who have six, while we have ten to sing the praises and flaunt the colors of Kappa Alpha Theta. Our pledged girls number six. We have pinned the black and gold on Edith Cruver, a very bright and lovely girl, since this letter was begun this morning.

No doubt you lucky girls of Lambda are reveling in your new chapter house now, and though we are green with envy we wish you much joy and many good times in it.

With sisterly wishes for a successful year.

TAU.

IOTA.

Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

Very little of interest to our sister chapters has happened to Iota since we last wrote, except individual rest and good times during the long summer holiday. The last event which brought our active members of '88-'89 together was our annual Senior banquet, which was held Wednesday, June 12. Two '88 members of Iota, Miss Edwards and Miss Marx, were with us for the pleasant evening, and we toasted and feted them with all the zeal which we like to show in greeting our returned sisters.

During Commencement week part of our chapter, exclusive of Seniors of course, picniced with a party of ladies and gentlemen at a cottage on our beautiful Lake Cayuga. Meanwhile our Seniors went through the martyrdom of graduation, Miss Boynton having the honor of being Class Day essayist.

About this time the engagements of two of our Seniors were announced, that of Miss Boynton to Mr. F. V. Coville, '87, now in the Government Botanical Department at Washington, and that of Miss Langley to Mr. B. H. Blood, '89.

Several of the elections to honorary societies have fallen to our members. Miss Boynton was the only lady this year elected to Sigma Phi, the honorary Scientific Society, and Miss Berry,

'90, and Miss Gilbert, '90, were enrolled as members of Phi Beta Kappa.

Although we lost so many members last June we still shall number, when college opens, at least twelve active members in addition to the resident graduates, as two former Cornell students, Miss Warner of Medina, Ohio, and Miss Robbins of Washington, are to return.

May the opening year be a prosperous one for Kappa Alpha Theta, and the convention a great success in every way. We shall be with you, if possible.

All have the best wishes of

IOTA.

DELTA.

Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, Ill.

Delta, anxious to do her part toward the publishing of another number of the journal before convention time, responds to the call for the chapter letter.

We have not yet returned to school duties, but expect to close our vacation in two short weeks. I believe the Delta girls have all been spending delightful summers, visiting among each other, and some of them regaling themselves in Colorado's delightful clime.

Two of our alumnae members and one of our pledged members of last year have, or are about to, enter the bonds of happy wedlock, so Delta is going to have three new brothers-in-law. While we'll try and be real nice to them, we can't help hating to have our sisters carried off in that way. However we congratulate them in showing such excellent taste as to select Theta girls for their life-long companions.

We are rejoiced to learn that we are to have with us next year one of our old girls, Mattie Myers, who spent last year in California. She has been one of Delta's most honored members and faithful workers, and her return will be hailed with gladness. She expects to be one of the "dignified Seniors" the coming

year. Kappa Alpha Theta will also have two other representatives in that august body—the Senior class. We are looking forward to next year as one in which we may do much for the “Black and Gold,” and add many recruits to the ranks of Kappa Alpha Theta.

DELTA.

PHI.

University of the Pacific, College Park, Santa Clara Co., Cal.

DEAR THETA SISTERS—Phi, for the second time, sends greeting through the KAPPA ALPHA THETA. Although so young, our prospects for a good year's work are very encouraging. Already, this term, we have enjoyed an enthusiastic initiation, when Misses Belle Eaton, a genial '88, Edith Wilcox and Edith Cory, both loyal pledgings of last term, joined our ranks of happy workers. Even during the press of work at the end of the last term, we yet found time for an evening with Theta, and it was then that we gained Phi's Geminæ, Misses Adah and Ida Larkey. Love and harmony reign supreme in Phi, and we can justly say we are proud of our band of loyal Thetas.

In our literary work we have sought something outside of the regular work done in college and in literary societies in general, and we believe that it will be beneficial and interesting to us all.

One circumstance that peculiarly brightens our pathway this year, is the fact that by the opening of the next college term in January our beautiful new Conservatory of Music will be completed, and we have been promised the exclusive possession of a dear little room in the tower, which we intend to fit up into a perfect little bower for Theta sisters. Although during our short life we have become quite attached to that cosy library in the hospitable home of our sister, Miss Lizzie Gober, still it will be so nice to have a Theta hall “all our own.”

Our genial and energetic sister, Miss Mabel Urmy, has not been with us this term, but we hope to see her soon.

We are sorry to relate that one of our sisters, Miss Jennie Landstrom, a bright Sophomore, has moved to Berkeley, and is attending the State University at that place. Phi's best wishes attend her.

Miss Nettie Whitehead, '89, although not residing in College Park or in San Jose, is yet not too far away at Gilroy to be frequently summoned by Theta sisters to enjoy the pleasures of an enthusiastic meeting or initiation.

Best wishes to all Theta sisters.

PHI.

PI.

Albion College, Albion Mich.

Notwithstanding our brave attempt last spring to forget that our little band must soon be broken, a feeling of sadness would come over us when we thought that we, who had been so long united in working for and building up Pi chapter, must soon separate never to meet again in just the same familiar way. To no one seems the shrine of Theta more dear than we who have labored for the existence of our chapter as charter members. United in our efforts to attain the same end our hearts were as strongly united in the bonds of sisterhood. Happy were we, and justly proud, that we were to leave the sacred trust to those so worthy to bear aloft her banner, and with no fears for her future prosperity we bow to the inevitable and bid her farewell.

The year has been one of marked success to Pi chapter. Scarcely can such another be hoped or expected. Successful in every attempt our ranks have been strengthened by an addition of six new members, whereas our rivals added but one. Although poor "William" experienced such trying ordeals last year, I am glad to state that he survived and is at present in good condition and ready to acquit himself with honor this fall.

We cannot tell, and will not venture to prophecy, being neither a prophet or the seventh son of a prophet, as to the result of the coming year. We can only trust that the new term will

bring those we shall be proud to add to our number, and that the Black and Gold may draw to itself its own.

We are looking forward to the coming convention with an earnest hope and expectation that much will be done for the advancement and promotion of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Pi sends best wishes for a successful year to each and every chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta.

OLIN B. HULL.

UPSILON.

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.

DEAR SISTERS:—Upsilon sends greeting for the new year upon which we are entering, and may every sister chapter be as successful as *she hopes* to be.

The University of Minneapolis opened September 10th with a large increase in numbers. There is excellent material this year, and every Greek is rustling. Delta Gamma and Kappa Kappa Gamma received the new girls on September 13th and 16th respectively. Kappa Alpha Theta will meet them on the afternoon of September 19, from 3 to 6. As our reception comes *last* we hope it may create an impression the most *lasting*.

Each fraternity and sorority here has now a chapter house or rooms. Wish you could see Upsilon's retreat. We think it as cosy and pretty a nest as can be found, and anticipate a great deal of profit and pleasure there.

We are lamenting, this year, the absence of three sisters; one who went with '89, and two who will return later to '91. Since last writing to KAPPA ALPHA THETA we have discovered a sister from Lambda residing here, Mrs. Marion Willet, *nee* Weller.

We had reason last Commencement to be very proud of our Senior, Ada Smith. She not only won much true praise through the merit of her literary production, but as Captain of Co. Q (ladies' military company), she conducted the exhibition drill in

a manner which excited both surprise and admiration. On Commencement day she was presented with a beautiful golden Q enclosing two crossed swords of oxidized silver, and engraved "Capt. Ada Smith from Co. Q.

We are looking eagerly forward to the convention, when we expect to gain many new ideas from the experience of the older chapters. We enjoyed very much the letter from our "baby sisters" on the Pacific slope.

Love and best wishes to all from

UPSILON.

OMICRON.

Univeraity of Southern California, Los Angeles, Cal.

School opens late this year, and the sisters are scattered all over Southern California. Those of us who are here, however, are greatly in favor of an early number of the journal. We like the enterprise and here is success to you, filled to the brim.

Commencement time seems ages past and gone, but it was a glorious Commencement and not to be forgotten soon; filled full of Theta victories and joyous times. The morning before Commencement day is always looked forward to with wild anticipation by the Omicron sisterhood. Theta breakfast means reunion, it means dear, happy faces you haven't seen for months; it means wild excursions through Boarding Hall and homes, bringing in delinquent ones who love the "downy;" its negligee in curl papers; its pickles and doughnuts and coffee. But its the wildest, madest lark of all the year, and the last breakfast was no ways behind its predecessors. In the midst of the feast the Theta colors were run up the flag staff and enthusiasm at high tide, a vote of thanks was tendered "Bobby" on the spot for his kind efforts in our behalf. Want of space forbids recounting the amount of red tape required to float those same colors, or the effect it had on the "Varsity" in general. Before the feast was finished we were photographed with the "remains"—the result was more than we anticipated, and everybody longs for a copy of the picture.

The University is now the proud and happy possessor of a chapter of Sigma Chi fraternity, or rather the Sigma Chi fraternity are happy owners of the University. They carried all before them Commencement time; everybody smiling on them fondly. They entertained us royally on their coming out. We are glad to have them with us, and endeavored to show our kindly feelings by giving them a reception. The fraternity spirit is growing very strong in the U. S. C., and Theta being a pioneeress, likewise amiable, welcomes all who come.

We scored a victory Commencement day. The prize for best written and delivered oration was awarded May Bradley, our Theta graduate. We were very proud of her, and as we looked at the round, fat pieces of shining gold, we reflected that not often merit and hard work meet its reward like this. Score number two was the election of Dean Cherrington, whose wife is a good Theta. In her position she will not be a partizan; but one can't help being a Theta at heart.

We feel like presenting huge medals to our dear, faithful pledges, who have been toiling all the long hot summer with those tough old Romans and Greeks and mathematis—in strong endeavor to enter straight Freshman and be crowned with the faithful. Verily they shall receive their reward. The tough, old "Nannie" that has done service heretofore will be discharged and a gentle, easy-going animal secured in its stead.

We are looking forward to convention time with pleasure. We trust the year opening before us may be the most prosperous and delightful Theta has ever known.

Yours fraternally,

OMICRON.

KAPPA.

University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kas.

Vacation is over, and again the corridors of K. U. echo with hastening foot-falls and the merry "glad to see you." Bashful and shy new students are among us one hundred strong, and if

we read the signs aright the year is being ushered in most auspiciously for Kappa. But to turn to victories won, our only graduate, Kate Merrill, was one of the favored five chosen by the faculty to "shine" Commencement day. If you knew her it would be superfluous to add that she did us great honor upon this occasion. This year she goes to Bryn Maur, where she pursues an English course of study.

Our annual Commencement party was given May 31, in the beautiful parlors of the Merchants National Bank building, about one hundred guests were bidden. Sister Kate Wilder is again with us, ready to work with might and main; but Hymen is playing sad havoc in our little flock—after four succumb we shall be but twelve.

Frequently have we mentioned the illness of Sister Tella Chapman. The bright, sweet face is rapidly fading from us—the light may go out at almost any hour. How we shall miss the happy smile and the loving, genial heart! Birdie Lewis is also lying very sick, and in the midst of these depressing circumstances we have deemed it best and wisest to request that the convention be held elsewhere. 'Tis hard to forego the happiness we have so long looked forward to, but destiny wills it.

We have leased a hall which is rapidly assuming a home-like appearance, and should chance bring any Theta to Kansas we hope to have the pleasure of making her welcome.

With this number we bid an affectionate adieu to the journal, which has known no home but with Kappa, and hope that its future will far outshine its past.

Editorial

A FEW weeks ago notices were sent to all the chapters of Kappa Alpha Theta, stating that it would be impossible for Kappa to entertain the Convention this fall, and giving as a reason the serious illness of one of our sisters. This issue of the *Journal* contains accounts of that sister's death, which, however, expected at some time came very suddenly at last. We thought she might last through the fall, and possibly until spring, but the angel of death came, as a thief in the night, and stole our loved one away.

To entertain the Convention this fall is now more impossible than ever, for Kappa wears the Black and Gold in mourning, and the hearts of all are filled with sadness.

We feel sure that all will sympathize with us in this our great bereavement. Our hearts are so filled with sadness over the death of our beloved sister, that we feel utterly unable to express that sorrow in words. The following notices appeared in the city papers, and we can testify to the truth of every feeling of respect and love that these notices contain:

Miss Tella D. Chapman, a member of the Junior class of the University last year, died on Thursday evening in Kansas City. She was the second daughter and only remaining child of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chapman, who came to Lawrence some years ago from Fayetteville, New York. The other daughter died early in the spring of 1885, and then the most devoted parental care, which had been shared by both, was bestowed upon one, and now, alas! only a dear memory is all that remains of her. Not only to her parents, but to her classmates and friends the sorrow is heavy, although it has been expected for some months. At the opening of the academic year, in September, 1888, Tella was as vigorous and hopeful as any, looking forward with the brightest anticipations to the remainder of the University course. But a severe cold, taken in November, was the beginning of the disease which has brought her young life to an end. The dry climate of

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Miss Chapman had not completed her course in the University, but gave up her work only when it was impossible longer to "climb the hill." To her college mates she had become endeared to a degree not often the fortune of man to enjoy. Superlative expressions are so useless that it seems but waste of words to tell of relations and friendships so real and earnest and natural, but after all inexplicable. By a kindness of heart showing in every word and action, she was given always the sincere admiration and respect accorded by man to that fellow of his possessed of noble traits of character. In the company of young and impressionable hearts, sincerity, honesty, purity, are always seen with keener appreciation and are more strongly worshipped, perhaps, than by older and less sensitive souls. Miss Chapman was fortunate in finding appreciation. Her life among her companions could not but have been one of joy; her thoughts at the approach of leaving them must have been full of grief, indeed, but which must have been ripened by the knowledge of their good will to her.

In the chosen group of girls to whom she was bound by her ties of fraternity organization, artificial at first, but becoming natural with time, she was a leader. In the class of which she was a member, the present Senior class, she was a favorite. Why it is that the fairest and best are always chosen for the sacrifice is beyond understanding; beyond reconciliation, perhaps, with man's ideas of what ought to be, in a world of love, of what ought to be where all is in the hands of one power, and that power the symbol of justice and reward. But the egotism of man in refusing to accept that apparently unmeasurable must excuse the doubting.—*Lawrence Journal*.

The sad news reached Lawrence to-day of the death of Miss Tella Chapman at her home in Kansas City last night. It is with great sorrow that we chronicle the death of one of the sweetest and purest young ladies that ever graced Lawrence society. She grew to womanhood in this place universally beloved, and her death will cause a pall of sadness wherever she was known. She was prominently identified with the University, and had she lived would have graduated with the class this year; a thorough, conscientious student, a kind and helpful friend and classmate, her lovely disposition won the hearts of all. She was a prominent member of Kappa Alpha Theta fraternity, and in no place will her death be more keenly felt. No fraternity enterprise was ever proposed but found her a hearty worker; no social gathering was complete without her presence. She was loving and

true to friends, helpful and kind to associates, and considerate to all. A true Christian spirit and a kind and loving nature animated all her actions. In the very beginning of life's young dream she was stricken with that fell disease consumption. A change of climate was tried, and all that medical skill or loving solicitude could suggest was done for her relief. In the beautiful dawning of her young womanhood she was taken away, when the flowers along the pathway of life were brightest and the landscape fairest. Living long enough to catch a glimpse of the vistas of love and happiness, she fell a victim to the stern reaper who gathers the flowers as well as the bearded grain, to adorn his master's throne. With a hope glorified to faith, we confidently believe that this pure, true soul has been transplanted to a better land.

The funeral of Miss Tella Chapman took place yesterday afternoon at the Congregational Church. The remains, attended by the relatives and intimate friends, arrived from Kansas City at 12:45 and were conveyed to the church, where the services were conducted by Rev. C. G. Howland, pastor of the Unitarian Church. A majority of the members of the faculty were present. The Senior class and the Kappa Alpha Theta fraternity, of which Miss Chapman was a member, the Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, and the Phi Delta Theta fraternities, all attended in a body. The pall bearers selected from her class were W. R. Armstrong, Edward Stimpson, S. C. Brewster, J. A. Mushrush, Russel Whitman and Chas. S. McFarland. After reading of the scripture by Rev. Howland the choir sang, "Nearer My God to Thee," Dr. Richard Cordley offered prayer and Rev. Howland delivered a very beautiful and touching discourse which greatly affected all present. When the services were over the remains were interred at Oak Hill Cemetery, and were followed to the grave by a very large company.—*Lawrence Tribune.*

THE following from *The Beacon*, published at the Boston University, will be of interest to the fraternity world:

One of the surest signs of a healthy college spirit is found in the interest taken by the students in the various organizations connected with the institution. Text-books provide the smaller part of a man's education to-day. To influence others in their lives and actions as well as to learn to govern ourselves, is one of the most important lessons. No more potent opportunity for accomplishing this end can be found than in the numerous clubs, societies, fraternities and associations existing in every well conducted college. We can, therefore, but express our welcome to the two new organizations that have made their advent among us within the past year. The Tri-Delta society, established last winter by a dozen wide awake young women, now enjoys a

membership of twenty, among whom a warm, helpful spirit of friendship lives which formerly could not exist while there was no special tie to bind them. We also greet the new chapter of Delta Tau Delta. Small though its numbers be, yet there is life and hope for future growth. The record of fraternities in our college for the last thirteen years has shown their usefulness. The cry that they oppose college laws and faculty jurisdiction is without basis. As the college grows we will gladly welcome other societies.

The "Tri-Delta" is a local society, but "if successful it may become the parent of a fraternity."

THE next issue of the Journal will come from the hands of some other chapter than Kappa, and we bespeak for them success in the work. We have enjoyed the publication of the Journal, but having had the responsibility of it for four years, we gladly resign in favor of some one else. The best thing that we can wish for the new editorial staff is that they find as accommodating and gentlemanly publishers as the Lawrence Journal Co.

WE are under obligations to Mr. Grant W. Harrington for a copy of the Catalogue of the Sigma Nu fraternity. The work has been an extensive one, having occupied more than two years, but the result seems to be very successful, and we feel sure that Mr. Harrington's efforts will be appreciated.

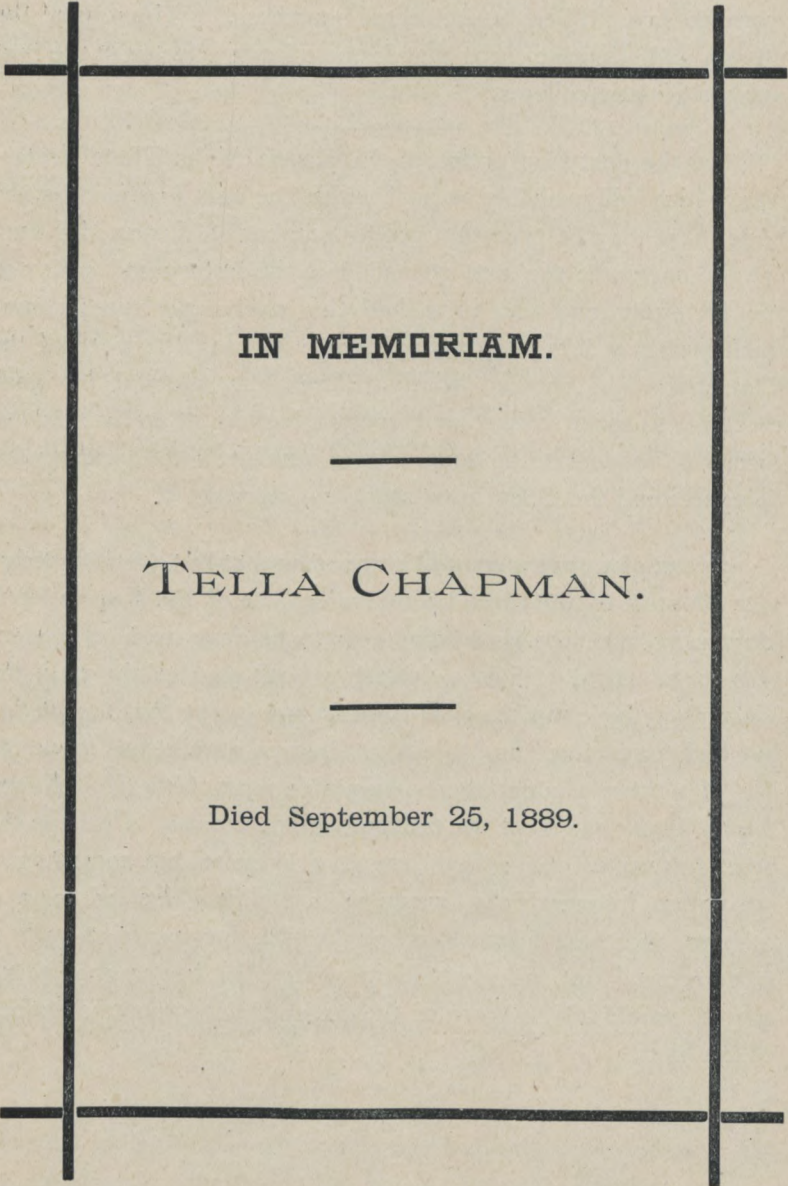
A NUMBER of inquiries have come to us of late, concerning Sigma chapter at Toronto, Canada. The only thing we are able to say, is that we have not been able to hear directly from them for almost a year, and we, with the other chapters, wonder what has become of our northern sisters.

WE wish to thank the advertisers who have so kindly favored us with their patronage, and hope they may deem it wise to continue to advertise in the KAPPA ALPHA THETA.

"FRATERNITIES are the most important factor in the college world to-day. Their future seems boundless." How about the literary and scientific clubs, that form so large a factor in the best universities and colleges?

AT the next Convention of the Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity, which will probably be held within the next few months, we hope there may be present a goodly number of alumnae, for they are the ones who are best grounded in the history and policy of the fraternity, and who have had the most experience; consequently they will be of great assistance in doing the work of the Convention quickly and wisely. The time allowed for such meetings is short at best, and every effort ought to be made to facilitate the work to be done. Send sensible, active, wideawake delegates and the Convention *must be a success*.

SOME of our readers will remember that last year a pledge was adopted by the three ladies' fraternities of the Kansas State University, whereby no rushing was to be done, and no student was to be asked to join a fraternity until she had been in the University three months. We are happy to say that the pledge has had some effect, and to a slight degree at least has made the life of a new student more endurable than hitherto. Kappa Alpha Theta has kept the pledge well, of course. Perhaps the other fraternities think they have done likewise, but according to our notion frequent calls, buggy rides, etc., is a decided form of rushing, and these things some of the girls have carried quite to an extreme. But on the whole the pledge has been a good thing, and we would advise more of the fraternities to adopt something of the kind.



IN MEMORIAM.

TELLA CHAPMAN.

Died September 25, 1889.

Resolutions

WHEREAS, We, the members of Kappa Chapter, of Kappa Alpha Theta fraternity, for the second time since our organization, are called upon to mourn the loss of a dear sister. Having been a member of the chapter for some years, she has, from the very first, entwined herself in our affections, and time has only strengthened the bonds of love and sisterhood.

WHEREAS, Our Heavenly Father has taken from our midst one of our brightest and dearest sisters, and

WHEREAS, In the loss of this sister we are deeply grieved; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Tella Chapman the fraternity has sustained a loss which can never be repaired. In all our relationships the influence of her gentle and loving nature has been deeply felt and will be greatly missed in the future, and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be printed in the KAPPA ALPHA THETA, and a copy be sent to her sorrowing parents.

EMMA BARTELL,

MAGGIE MUSHRUSH,

MAY WALKER,

Committee.

Sermon,

By Dr. Howland at the Funeral of Tella D. Chapman.

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This is the story of a short life of twenty years, gone out in the midst of its early summer when life is surrounded with a greater measure of hope and joy than come to any other period. This is the story of a long illness patiently and serenely borne, and the disappointment of the most fondly cherished parental hopes.

When the old die and are laid away out of our sight, we are

not much surprised or startled, for we remember that it is the order of the world; this is what kindly nature meant should come to pass when the years are full and when the work of a human being is done. Life is not usually desirable to one whose eyes have become dimmed with age; who no longer hears the various sounds that float upon the air; whose feet refuse to do their wonted work, and whose thought has lost its strength and returns again to childish things. But we sometimes say when the young die, that it is untimely, and that their work cannot yet be done. Not every thing, perhaps, that we expected has been done, but may it not be after all that the most and the best has been accomplished? For we are to remember that the greatest thing a human ever does, let the achievement be what it may, is to awaken in others a feeling of admiration, of respect, of affection; and fill the hearts of parents and friends with the deepest and tenderest emotion they can know. No life is vain that renders such a service as this. And has not this great work been very perfectly done by the gentle daughter and classmate who lies so peacefully here in our midst? It is our privilege to grieve when our hearts are sorely stricken and we come together to offer our tears for the dead and our sympathy to the living. The ties of love and friendship are very strong, yet we sometimes speak of breaking them and there do come alienations among the living. But in cases like *this* these ties are never broken. Death makes the affections of this father and mother and these young friends sure and lasting.

And so while we are sad, let us not be distressed. The sorrows of the heart should not be hopeless, for even though the flowers wither and fall before the summer has hardly begun, yet we cheerfully hope and fondly believe that they will come to a divine beauty in that land where it is always summer, and where it is always day. There is a ground for the most certain trust; for the infinite God; though inscrutable in many of his ways has not called human souls into existence, nor does he carry them away without a blessed purpose. Let us cling to this thought. The sublimity and the substance of all that is best in philosophy and religion. Let us believe, although we cannot clearly see.

We are children, just starting out upon life like this fair young girl lying here before us. Let us all have the childlike spirit; the childlike trust. It is right to wonder. We could not help it if we would. It is also right for us here to-day to weep. I am not amazed that we know so little, and sometimes stand in silent awe at the incidents of life, for the universe in which we live is a very large affair, but without and beyond all is darkness. There is a providence that is benign and paternal forever. This is our chief consolation. Death would be more melancholy than it is, were it not for this strong faith and for the dear hope of something beyond. This is the star that never sets. It gives us courage in life and sheds a radiance in the thickest darkness. Not many ever can be patient and cheerful and do well the duties of life and bear calmly its burdens, unless they have something great within them to bear them up. The future must be overspread with beauty and filled with possibilities. A poet asked for a great thought to lean upon when he died. Men want great thoughts to lean upon while they live. They want always to feel that they are within the mansions of the Almighty; that wherever they may be they are not solitary wanderers encompassed only by chance or rigorous laws or unpitying power, but children within the Father's infinite domain, where they have hereditary rights. Something tells them that the soul may be greater than it is, that there shall be a nearer correspondence between its dreams and its actual possessions, and they find delight in the thought that in this world and this life they have hardly entered the outer door of the vast temple of existence; they stand only upon the first step, and yet are almost alone before the magnificent spectacle! Time has just begun; eternity and the hospitalities of creation are yet to be! Let us in life, in death, keep this uplifting faith, and it will do much to make us strong and peaceful.

Exchanges

A new fraternity recently appeared in Indiana University, known as the Kappa Phi Omicron Kappa. It is restricted to a membership of eight, confined exclusively to the Junior class. The badge adopted has the shape of a human skull, made of gold, with black enamel trimmings, and is of very unique appearance. The society is perpetuated by the selection of seven members of the Sophomore class at the end of the college year. —*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

The following from the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* gives the opinion of one fraternity, at least, regarding honorary members:

Shall we have honorary members?—*Sigma Alpha Epsilon Record*.

If you desire to hold and strengthen your good reputation you will decide "No," once and for all time. Honorary membership, as usually conferred, is simply for the sake of having well known names upon the roll. This is an open confession of weakness. For if the fraternity possessed a sufficient number of famous men among its alumni to give it standing and distinction, there would be no occasion to weaken the value of its membership by making honorary elections. In years gone by it was the customary practice of young fraternities, and some old ones also, to elect honorary members because distinguished alumni were scarce, and that is why so many fraternities now have them. The flight of time has wrought many changes in the Greek world. Men who years ago were just leaving college to begin the solution of their life's problem, are now in the enjoyment of all the honor that the age can give them. This glory and fame brings reputation to the fraternity happy in their possession, and renders unnecessary the borrowing of figure-heads. This question of honorary membership has been before Delta Upsilon quite often, and, we are pleased to say, that every case in the past eight years has been answered emphatically in the negative.

Personals.

UPSILON.

Gertrude Bell is at Moorhead, Minn.

Ada Smith is teaching at Brainerd, Minn.

Anna and Dora Guthrie spent the summer in Ohio.

Helen Tombs passed her vacation at Grafton, North Dakota.

Beulah McHenry is still at her home, Fargo, North Dakota, but will return soon.

Emma Kemp and Kitty Comfort spent a part of July with a camping party at Lake Harriet.

PI.

E. May Moses spends her vacation at her home in Seneca Falls, N. Y.

M. Maude Beard has accepted the position of preceptress of the Corwina high school.

Stella M. Coney, '89, is preceptress of the Dexter high school for the coming year.

Mrs. Keenan, *nee* Rose Oldman, has removed to Buffalo, which is to be her future home.

Fannie J. Staley spent her vacation at Bay View, where she received a visit from Olive Hull.

We shall greatly miss Zella Starks and Kittie Carland from our number this fall, both having accepted positions as teachers.

Jennie Armstrong, finding that the climate of Denver did not improve her health, has returned to Michigan, and we hope to have her near us this year, although she will not be able to enter college this fall.

IOTA.

Miss Edwards is instructor in Greek at Wellesley College. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Marx, Ithaca, New York, a son.

Miss Mercelis, formerly '91, will enter a Medical College in New York this fall.

Miss Langley has a position as instructor in Latin, German, and Calisthenics, at the Normal school at Mansfield, Pa.

Miss Colt, formerly '91, and Miss Pyle, '89, attend the Woman's School of Design, in Philadelphia, this year.

Miss Boynton has a fine position in an architect's office in Buffalo for the coming year, for which her course in architecture has well fitted her.

Miss Van Dusen, formerly '84, has again returned to her position as cataloguer in the Cornell University library, which she left for a year in Germany.

NU.

Susan Moffett, of '89, is taking a post graduate course in Greek.

Chisie Gilcrist, of '85, has returned for a post graduate course.

Eva Fitzgerald, of '87, leaves us this month for an extensive trip West.

Laura Palmer was married to Mr. Frank P. Vail, of Madison, Ind., on the 12th of June.

Two of our girls, Victoria Arbuckle and Susann Moffett, were among the graduates last June.

Our working force was strengthened by the presence of Katie Pratt, '83, during the first week of the term.

TAU.

Lillian Prescott goes to Oberlin to study music.

Mae Earle, '88, is assistant principal in the high school at Dixon, Ills.

Clara Shellabarger, ex-'91, made a short visit to May Gloss, '91, in August.

Lina Kennedy, '91, visited Minnie Church, '92, during the summer, at her home in Walworth, Wis.

Mabelle Thatcher, '88, and Grace Knapp, ex-'91, spent some weeks at Ocean Grove during the summer.

Rose and Lulu Berkey, '92, spent the summer at Bay View, Mich. Jennie Meredith, '92, was there two weeks.

BETA.

Ida Reed, an Illinois sister, will teach this winter.

Zota May, a last spring initiate, will teach during the winter.

Adelaide Perry is away for the year at Lafayette, pursuing her art studies.

Ella Bond's new home is at Richmond, Ind. She will not be back this year.

Bird Miers, who was away last year studying music, has entered college this fall.

Georgia Byer, through Junior with '89, is teaching at her home in Newcastle, Ind.

Katharine Blynn has a position in the Fort Wayne schools, but is expected back next year.

Married—Clarince F. Bicknell and Clara A. Sluss, Wednesday, August 21, 1889, at Bloomington, Ind.

Beta is rejoicing in the recovery of one of her dearest girls from a serious illness, and we hope soon to see Grace Rawles again in our midst.

DELTA.

Phoebe Kerrick expects to teach this year.

Mattie Myers returned from California to her Bloomington home a short time ago.

Gertrude Jenkins expects to return to I. W. U. this fall and bring her sister with her.

Minnie Cockerline will not be with us this year, but will teach their home school this fall.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Rachel Watt and Mr. McVemar September 8, 1889.

Ruth Evans, Clara Landon and Lillian McCrea spent six weeks with a party at Manitou Springs, Col.

Minnie Willett will attend the Wesleyan at Helena, Mont., the coming year, and will be greatly missed from our number.

Hattie Wasmuth paid Mary Wood a short visit while attending camp-meeting at Watseka, Ill., and together they took a short trip into Indiana.

Mary Potter has been spending a pleasant vacation visiting her Theta sisters. Bess Grove has accompanied her part of the time during her travels.

Mary Wood has been spending the summer at her pleasant home near Sheldon, Ill. She does not expect to be with us next year, her health not being the best for school work.

A few weeks since quite a Theta reunion occurred at the home of Phoebe Kerrick near Minonk. Irene Blanchard, Mary Potter, Edna Downey and Bess Grove enjoyed her hospitality a part of two days, and report a delightful time.

EPSILON.

Mary Henderson, '88, is teaching in the Collegiate Institute at Hull, Iowa.

Lettie Warren, '89, has accepted a position in the high school at Beaver Dam, Wis.

Alice Hays, with '91, through Sophomore, was married on September 10th to Rev. Campbell Conyle.

Helen Jeffries, '88, is filling a temporary position as Latin instructor at the high school, and is also taking a post graduate course at the University.

Mellie Woodsworth, '91, was offered a position as director of the Musical Department in a prominent western university, located at Fort Dodge, Iowa, but has decided to continue her studies in the University. Miss Woodsworth graduated in music here last year.

KAPPA.

May Webster is visiting in Kansas City.

Mrs. Nellie Beatty spent the summer in Ohio.

Lizzie Wilder is teaching in Abilene again this year.

Kate Ridenour spent a part of the summer in the East.

May Walker is at home after an extended visit with her sister in St. Louis.

Mamie Simpson, Instructor in Art at the University, spent the summer in the East.

Mattie Babcock has returned from a pleasant summer vacation spent in Wisconsin.

Mrs. Cora Hopkins is expected very soon to visit her mother, Mrs. S. B. Pierson.

Ella Ropes, '87, has accepted a very lucrative position in an Episcopal Seminary in Portland, Oregon.

Fannie Pratt has returned to her home in Kansas City, after an absence of more than a year in New England.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Julia Benedict to Walter Howe, October 8, 1889. Mr. and Mrs. Howe will spend their honey-moon in Chicago.

Kappa is soon to have a visit from one of her beloved sisters, Alice Noble, who is coming up from Texas to act as bridesmaid at the wedding of one of our girls.

Mamie Monroe spent the summer at Salem, Mass. She reports a delightful time, and has come home looking well and in possession of a beautiful new Theta pin.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Hattie Dunn, '86, to Mr. J. A. Smith, October 9, 1889. The wedding will take place in Trinity church, Kansas City, Mo.

Married at Effingham, Kas., September 18, 1889, Alice J. Cummings and J. E. Curry. Mr. and Mrs. Curry will be at home in Huntsville, Ohio, where Mr. Curry has charge of a church.

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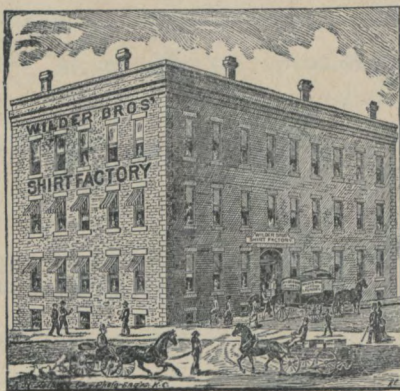
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